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Attorney Docket No. A-68990-3/463077-9/RFT/RMS/RMK

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

DAHIYAT, *et al.*

Serial No. 09/981,289

Filed: October 15, 2001

For: *Design and Discovery of Protein  
Based TNF- $\alpha$  Variants for the  
Treatment of TNF- $\alpha$  Related  
Disorders*

Group No. 1647

Examiner: J. Seharaseyon

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 23, 2003. The response is filed on or before June 23, 2004, with a Petition for a three month extension of time, an RCE and the necessary fees. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, such as extension fees or other relief, that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order No. A-68990-3/(463077-9)/RMS/RMK).

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